



Report to the Auburn City Council

Action Item

Agenda Item No. **9**

City Manager's Approval
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To: Mayor and Council Members
From: Randy Mealhow, Arts Commission Chair
Prepared by: Amy M. Lind, Deputy City Clerk
Date: November 14, 2011
Subject: Arts Commission

The Issue

Shall the Auburn City Council Hear an informational report from the Arts Commission?

Conclusion

The City Council shall hear an information presentation from the Arts Commission.

Background

The Chair of the Auburn Arts Commission, Randy Mealhow, will present an update on the Arts Commission activities.

Fiscal Impact

n/a

AUBURN ARTS COMMISSION

Monday, November 14, 2011

City Council report

My name is Randy Mealhow. I live at 12065 Peregrine Way, Auburn. I am currently the Chair for the Auburn Arts Commission.

I am here to give an update on the Arts Commission activities.

Public Art Loan Program:

Lee Buckingham and I have been working on this program for about 18 months. Its principal objective is to secure temporary art for Central Square. As soon as the paper work has been signed off on by the City we will begin soliciting artists for the loan of their art.

Streetscape Project:

Lee Buckingham is currently the AAC representative on the SHAAC committee. With the second phase of streetscape nearing completion there has been little activity for SHAAC.

Mural Projects:

Rob Turner is working on mural projects for Auburn that promise to be exciting, involve the community and cost the City minimal amounts.

City Hall Gallery:

Aloha Baumgarten continues to manage the gallery. We participated in four Art Walks this year, all of which were highly successful.

Music/Art Festival:

Joyce Silva has an interest in performing arts and is developing a Music/Art Festival for next year.

UAIC Art for Central Square

(Waiting for update from Mike.)

Airport Monument

(Waiting for update from Mike.)

9/11 Memorial

(Waiting for update from Mike.)

Fund Raising:

Due to the difficult economy we live in we have been discussing whether or not we could be effective in finding sources of money for art projects. These discussions are in their preliminary stage and nothing has yet been developed.

Mountain Quarries Bridge Gallery Show

We plan to have a juried show of art featuring the bridge at the City Hall Gallery in March 2012 to commemorate the 100 year anniversary of the construction of the bridge.

AAC Vacancies

We currently have a vacancy on the AAC for a professional artist and would welcome any and all help in recruiting for this vacancy.

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